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## from our readers

Extremely illuminating and refreshing an ideal reference publication

—S Raut Roy (Padma Shri)
Founder-Director
Diganta Museum and Research Centre
Cuttack

I found it very interesting and informative In fact I believe, I am not exaggerating if I say that the publication of this Journal is an event in the history of Jain publication

-S N Mital New Delhi

Verses by Cidananda give much for reflection masterful translation. Also, the coloured painting 'Restoration of Kalinga Jina is my first viewing of contemporary Jaina art. much appreciated

> -Leona Smith Kremser Honolulu, Hawaii, USA

The painting 'Candana giving alms to Lord Mahavira' is appealing as well as beautiful. The historic story of Candana would have remained poorer if it was not so clearly depicted in the picture. The Atomic Theory of the Jainas gleaned from Dr. P. C. Ray's Hindu Chemistry is revealing. When there was no scientific research worth the name in the West, it is heartening to know that the Jaina savants had made such a startling contribution to the field of atomic research. We knew nothing about the historic activities of Virchand Gandhi, the great contemporary of the illustrious Swami Vivekananda.

-- Jagadish Chandra Bhattacharyya
Mirzapore

I am a regular reader of your Jain Journal I read minutely all the articles published in it. It is a matter of regret that a journal containing such materials was never published before nor is being published at present in any language of our land Maybe your journal is widely acclaimed in the West, but it is difficult to say how many of our own countrymen are profited by it. It is also difficult to say how much we, the Jamas, are profited by it Mahavir Jayanti Special Number of this year is the finest example of collection of materials Will it not be proper to print the whole matter in a book form so that it may be easily available to all? Its Hindi edition may also be published There is not a single book in any language on the state of Jamesm in different States of India. If you have it published in a book form and put it on sale with the booksellers, you will do a great service

> - Kasturmal Banthia Nepanagar, M P

I have come across your Journal and think that this Journal is very useful for common people to know in detail about Jainism. After seeing through your Journal, I am much impressed. I would like to suggest that the Journal should be brought out also in Hindi language to enable common people to enjoy the advantages from your Journal I hope you will think seriously over the matter and will take necessary action towards the issue of Hindi copy of your Journal

-Prakash Chandra Madras

### OURSELVES

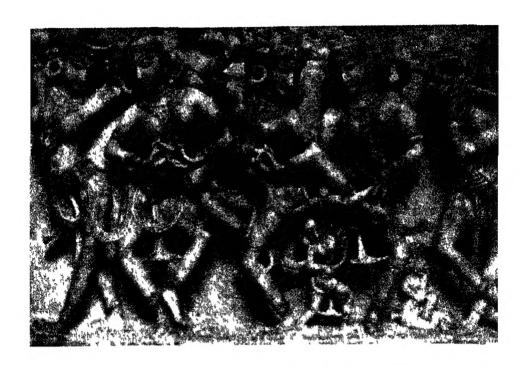
dasakappabbabahārā nijjūdhā jena navamapubbāo bandāmi bhaddabāhum tam apacchimasayalasuvanāni —Rsimandala Sūtra

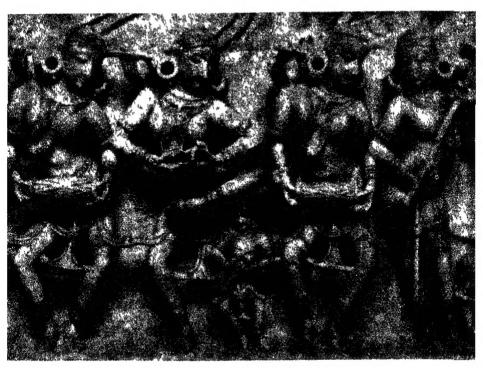
I bow to the last of the Srutakevalis who have extracted Dasakalpa and Viavahāra from the ninth Pūrva

Elsewhere in this issue we have printed a speech by Major-General P S Lama, Royal Consulate General Nepal, delivered on the occasion of this year's Mahavira Jayanti Celebration. His speech reminds us of the great Bhadrabahu, last of the *trutakevalis* and illustrious author of the celebrated Kalpa Sūtra, who, according to the Svetāmbara Jaina tradition, migrated to Nepal during the reign of the Nandas and did not come back from there. As he was the last to retain in memory the fourteen Pūrvas which were the sacred words of the great master Mahavira, Sthulabhadra, one of his disciples, went to Nepal to acquire this

sacred and rare knowledge from him. Sthulabhadra acquired the knowledge of the thirteen Pūrvas, except the last one entitled Drstivāda. and on the basis of this knowledge codified the sacred words in eleven Angas at the Council of Pataliputra which met under his chairmanship This tradition of the Svetāmbara Jamas about his going to Nepal is. however, not accepted by the Divambara Jamas according to whom during the reign of Candragupta Maurya, Bhadrabahu, in anticipation of a twelve-year famine, led an exodus of Jama monks to the South where he died. We have no intention to open a controversy here on this score but purely as an academic exercise it may be of interest to check, if possible, the incident as current in the Svetambara tradition from the Nepalese literature as to whether there is any reference to this therein, and if any Nepalese scholar throws decisive light on this, that will not only set at rest the present cleavage between the two traditions as current among the Jamas but will forge a fresh link between India and Nepal, with its roots going several centuries before the Christian era

There is another very interesting item of which there is mention at many places in the Jaina literature. This is about the ratna-kambala (jewel-blanket) whose mechanism kept one cool in summer and warm in winter. Now, this ratna-kambala was always imported into India from Nepal and it was so costly that even a monarch like Srenika (Bimbisara) of Magadha found it hard to purchase even one piece. But at that time in India, there were many merchant-princes, richer than even the kings, and in Srenika's own capital there was one who bought thirty-two pieces at a time. It will be of interest again to check, if possible, from the old Nepalese literature if there is any analogous reference to this curious item therein. If any scholar from India or Nepal can throw further light on these topics, we shall be happy to publish their contribution in our Journal





A Party of Dancers and Musicians Panels from Jaina Temple, Mt Abu

## My Homage to Lord Mahavira

P S LAMA

Jainism is one of the earliest religions of the world and Lord Mahavira is the last, but the everlasting, of Tirthankaras of this great religion Mahavira is the greatest and rarest of the victors that mankind has But it is a victory not of the sword, nor on the battlefield It is a victory of the human soul over man's baser passions which make him a prisoner of himself He becomes 'Jina and from this word is derived the name Jaina and Jainism More than 2500 years have passed since then and hundreds of empires have been founded and lost but the road to victory that Mahavira gave to mankind is still shining in its pristine purity and glory How wonderful indeed is this victory! The voice of ahimsā released by Lord Mahavira and Lord Buddha is still stirring the hearts of mankind through the ages What a strange coincidence of history that the sacred land of ours-Nepal and India-saw the advent of Lord Buddha and Lord Mahavira, the two Princes of Peace, almost at the same period of history and at very nearby places Lord Buddha was born in my country in Lumbini in 560 B C and Lord Mahavira in 599 B C in Ksatriya Kundapura near Vaisali (Muzaffarpur) in Bihar

JAIN JOURN

Buddhism and Jainism have striking similarities between them Of course every religion is as true as another, but Buddhism and Jainism are very close and akin to each other, and both have the same spiritual goal of moksa or nirvāna—that is, the liberation of the soul from the shackles of karma—from the cycles of birth and rebirth, and both passionately believe in peace and similar other virtues. The differences between them are more in approach and emphasis rather than in substance and these differences only add beauty to their individual identity but, after all, both these great religions are enlightened by the same effulgent light of ultimate nirvāna

James as I understand it is a thorough-going religion. It does not merely rest on a set of theoretical beliefs. A true Jaina practises in letter and spirit, in heart and soul, what he believes Jainism does not allow human life to drift in the ocean of eternity between the cycles of births and rebirths, ever and anon. It prepares its followers to proceed positively tirelessly and steadfastly as far as possible during a lifetime towards the goal of spiritual liberation—moksa—the sumum bonam of human lite For a Jaina sādhu (monk), no hardship, no sacrifice no suffering no pain is too great that promises him his spiritual salvation. He is ready to pay any price that would bring him nearer that goal. In Jainism, there is no short-cut to emancipation. Every moment of his being must be exercised rightly and rigorously to achieve his ultimate goal There is no holiday for him from virtue Samvak darsana (right seeing), samyak māna (right knowledge) and samyak caritrya (right conduct) must be reflected in his every thought, deed and action. These are the three lewels or 'triratna' in Jainism

For lay-followers (śrāvakas and śrāvikās), Jainism offers a very useful and practical religion. They are not required to renounce the world but are expected to discharge their household duties by honest means and live progressively a pure life. Twelve rules of conduct (vratas) are prescribed for them. They are to keep away from anger, avarice and pride. They are to be truthful, faithful, helpful, just and kind to all. Jainism does never allow an extravagant life. It holds the principle of considering the well-being and happiness of others first. In this sense, Jainism is absolutely altruistic. Jainism seeks to establish a just social order in which each will have according to his needs and and none should covet more than his actual needs. This is indeed a very sound principle, and in this age of social unrest, if this principle is followed in practice, truly and sincerely, as Jainism preaches, how happy may this world be !

Jainism puts great emphasis on righteous life and helps to pull men out of the morass of this mundane world ever and ever to a higher spiritual plane. This is the beauty of Jainism

The centre-piece of Jaina philosophy is ahimsa Ahimsā in Jainism is not just non-violence in the ordinary sense of the word. It is not just physically refraining from killing or hurting an animal. It is a far deeper feeling. It is essentially a matter of self-realisation, realisation that it is the same soul that pervades all earthly creatures, even the smallest of the small, and everywhere, in all objects, both animate and inanimate, all over the universe. This feeling of equanimity of view is the spiritual conception per excellence of Jainism. The faith that seeks to realise this supreme idea can never do any wrong to fellow-men or for that matter to any fellow-creature, even a bird, a beast or an insect. To a world torn by wars and dissensions and still sitting in hostile postures, one against the other, Jainism shows a new horizon, an enlightened way, to peace and harmony

## A Mechanistic View of the Jaina Omniscience (Kevala-Jnana)

S GAJAPATHI

"In time people who avoid science may even become suspicious or fearful of its supposed mysteries'

-Bernard Jeffe in Coil of Life

[This essay which is somewhat unconventional from the rest printed in this journal needs a little prelude about its genesis. The idea originated with the author years back when he ran a small spectacle lens manufacturing factory at Madras. To be more useful in his manufacturing profession he went through some books on the theory of light and a few others on the mechanics of lens polishing from whence he slipped into astronomy, atomic physics and some applied sciences and in the light of his scientific as well as professional knowledge tried to

understand some of the basic things, notably ajiva dravyas, in Jaina philosophical literature. His more immediate impetus, however, came from G R Jaina's Cosmology, Old and New, of which he has made much use in this essay, and also A S Jain's translation of Sarvārthasiddhi entitled Reality. Other ācāryas like Kunda Kunda, Amrtacandra, Padmaprabha, Maladharideva, Jayasena, Subhacandra have influenced him at different stages. These will be indicated at the end in the form of an epilogue

The manuscript was initially presented to Sri M H Shah, former general-manager of the Hindusthan Aircrafts Ltd., and the founder of the Nirvanasram, Sravana Belgola The author desired the manuscript to be forwarded to Dr A N Upadhye, the well-known Jaina scholar, not with a view to its publication but to know his concurrence with or difference from its thesis and in case he concurred, he felt, Dr Upadhye might like "himself to bring out an excellent, lucid and authoritative volume" on this subject. The manuscript, however, reached Dr Upadhye through Sri S D Vandakudre, a retired principal at Kolhapur. The relevant portion of Dr Upadhye's communication to Sri Vandakudre is quoted below.

"I have gone through the essay carefully The author has a good understanding of some Jaina tenets which he is trying to express in modern terms. The first and the last chapters, with a little retouching, can go as independent article in some magazine, the matter has to be edited and expression made simpler. There is a Jain Journal published from Calcutta. He may try that magazine.

'The other chapters deal with obscure topics in a more obscure way Some context I am not able to follow, naturally it is not correct to say anything more about them '

While editing and compressing Sri Gajapathi's rather lengthy article, however, we felt attracted to his 'obscure topics', though no effort has been spared to improve upon his 'obscure way' to impart readability without in any way affecting, altering or modifying his thesis. The more obvious things in his article have been dropped on account of limitation of space and also because of their being too commonplace or too familiar. To do so, of course, we have the permission from the writer. When the full text is published, which will be another instalment, we would welcome learned comments from our interested readers.

#### 1 Introduction

Jaina philosophy not only talks of the possibility of the attainment of omniscience, by the liberated souls, it also contains a mechanistic theory about the channel of the acquisition of the extra-sensory supreme knowledge. There is no mystery involved in it. We shall explore into this mechanistic theory of omniscience as mentioned in Jaina philosophy with the background of modern scientific knowledge.

The Tattvārtha Sūtra defines sat and dravya as follows 'utpāda vyaya dhrauvya vuktam sat' and 'sat dravva laksanam' Sat or existent' is a collective name for a triple state of existence comprised of utpāda (origination of a new mode or shape), 13 ava (destruction of the old mode or shape) and dhrauvya (permanence of the substratum of substance) Dravya or substance is possessed of this trinity which is called sat Thus every substance possesses permanency while undergoing modification

Dravya or substance according to the Jainas are six in number, viz,  $j\bar{\imath}va$ , (souls), pudgala (matter),  $\bar{a}k\bar{a}sa$  (space), dharma (medium of motion), adharma (medium of rest),  $k\bar{a}l\bar{a}nus$  (time-particles)

Now, this triple state of existence is simultaneously accomplished in every substance by the rise and fall of the wave crest and trough of their inherent imperceptible stationary wave-motion. An example of stationary wave-motion is the waves happening on the surface of water. Of course, soul and matter possess, in their condition of bondage perceptible and imperceptible changes, in the form of birth, growth, decay and death in different organic beings and elementary particles of matter combining into molecules of infinite forms and sizes. Yet the imperceptible wave-motion serves as the heart or core of all these changes. The wave-motion happens in every substance, every moment, incessantly, because of their inherent perpetual energy, making substance dynamic and pulsating eternally.

Scientists speak of several kinds of wave-motion or simply waves, viz, water waves or wave-motion happening on the surface of water, sound waves generated by the vibrating objects passing in the medium of air, the electro-magnetic waves comprising the light, radio and television waves travelling in the medium of ether, and so on

The Jamas were aware of all these waves of external sources and, in their opinion, these stimuli form the medium for the mundane soul's

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empirical perception, clairvoyance and telepathy. They have simultaneously stated the existence of inherent super-energetic stationary wave-motion of a special kind and the concomitant energy carrying waves of infinite speed in every soul. This wave-motion forms the real medium for super-consciousness or omniscience of every emancipated soul, embodied and dis-embodied.

Jaina philosophy speaks of two kinds of stationary wave-motions, one of infinitesimally short wave-lengths and another not of such short wave-lengths. However, the second wave-motion's wave-lengths are extremely minute forming a million-millionth part or even less than the wave-length of ultra-violet light wave. These two are aguru-laghu-sād-guni-hāni-vitti-parvā)a, in short, artha-paryāya and vyāñyanā-par-vā)a. The first wave-motion is common and exists in all the six substances. The second one which is special exists in souls and matter only Parvā)a generally means change but here it signifies wave-motion

#### II Artha-Parvava

Aguiu-lahgu-sād-guni-hāni-vrtti-paryāya or aitha-parvāya (wave-motion) is extremely subtle (suksma) so that an imperceptable rhythmic rise and fall of crest and trough are constantly taking place in the parts of substance every instant (samaya) in six different steps or wave-lengths

The six different wave-lengths of this wave-motion are as follows

- (1) One part of a sankhyāt (number expressible in figures or countable).
- (2) One part of asankhyāt (countless or minimum infinite minus one).
- (3) One part of ananta (infinite number),
- (4) One part of sankhyātguni (countable × countable),
- (5) One part of asankhyātgum (countless × countless),
- (6) One part of anantagumi (infinite × infinite)

Each substance is stated as possessing infinite attributes. The principal among the common attributes of all the six substances are six as follows

- (1) astitva—existence, indestructibility, permanence, capacity by which a substance cannot be destroyed
- (2) vastutva—functionality, capacity by which a substance has a function or use.

- (3) dravyatva—changeability, capacity by which it is always changing in modification
- (4) prameyatva—knowability, capacity of being known by some one or being the subject-matter of knowledge
- (5) aguru-laghutva guna—individuality, capacity by which one substance or attribute does not become another and the substance does not lose the attributes whose grouping forms the substance itself
- (6) pradesatva—spaciality, capacity of having some kind of extension or location in space

Aguru-laghu term is used in four different senses in Jaina philosophy The first, aguru-laghu-nāma-karma, is a sub-type of body-building (nāma-) karman. The second, aguru-lahgu guna, is the fifth common attribute of all the six substances stated above. The third, aguru-laghu-sād-gunī-hāni-vītti-paryāva is the first type of stationary wave-motion with which we are concerned here. The fourth one is aguru-laghutva, one of the eight special attributes of the emancipated soul (siddha jiva)

Aguru-laghu-sād-guni-hāni-vrtii-paryā)a makes explicit all the above-mentioned six principal common attributes in all the six substances in all the states of their existence, in the past, present and future, in brief, eternally

Aguru-laghu-sād-gunt-hām-vrtti-paryāva (wave motion) by its repeated formation of crest and trough (growing and decaying of crest) every instant in the parts of substance fulfils the condition of origination of a new mode and destruction of the old mode but the basic substance prisists through this change of appearing and disappearing. The riple state existence (utpāda-vya)a-dhrauvya) which is the chatarcteristic of sat is fulfilled in this way. Sat or astitva means to be in existence. This is the first common attribute of all substances

Darvya or substance always possesses attributes and undergoes modification Sat or existent means permanance with change, i.e., being and becoming This is the characteristic of dravyatva the third principal common attribute of all the substances as noted above

This stationary wave-motion exhibits the existence of substance by reflecting away the contacting external waves to be tuned up by the

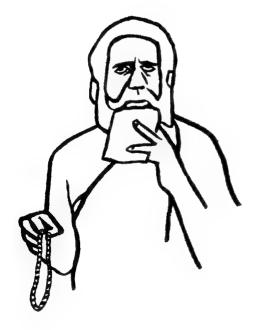
knower and the substance becomes a subject-matter of knowledge to some one. This is prameyatva or knowability, the fourth principal common attribute of all substances

Prameyatva or knowledge of substance necessarily discloses vastutva or the function or use of the substance which is the second attribute, aguru-laghutva-guna or the individuality or distinctiveness of this substance from others which is the fifth attribute, and pradesatva or the extension of the substance in space or speciality which is the last attribute. In this way, this wave-motion stands to exhibit the six common attributes of every substance

Because of the common attribute of pramevatva or knowability, the omniscient soul by tuning up all the bouncing-back energy-waves of his vyañjanā paryāya (special stationary wave-motion of soul) origin perceives and knows all souls (jivas), space (ākāša), medium of motion (dharma), medium of rest (adharma), time particles (kālānus), atoms and molecules of matter (paramānus and skandas) and himself with all their attribute and states

But space  $(\bar{a}k\bar{a}sa)$ , medium of motion (dharma), medium of rest (adharma), and time particles  $(k\bar{a}l\bar{a}nus)$ —these four substances possess only  $aguru-laghu-s\bar{a}d-guni-h\bar{a}ni-vrtii-pary\bar{a}ya$  Except the imperceptible modification of wave-motion, these four substances are eternally devoid of expansion, contraction or movement Because of this reason these four substances are called  $niskriyav\bar{a}n$  (inactive) substances. They do not have any bondage with one another or other substances. They are eternally independent. Their presence is taken advantage of by one another or by other substances for their accommodation, movement, rest and modification. In this way they remain useful and automatically and unknowingly become causal  $(udasina\ nimitta)$  to the happening of things

To be continued



#### VERSES

CIDANANDA

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None showeth the Right Way Each praises his own whomsoever ve ask But each looks from one angle To establish his own viewpoint As it is not viewed from all facets This becomes a froth The Vedantist speaks of the Brahman Believing Him to be the only reality The Mimansaka speaks of the Karma Which arises at one s own doings Says the Buddhist, the Buddha has shown The transitoriness of everything While the Naiyaika has the notion of a Creator. To a Carvaka it's all a dream, And to others it is all void. And then they have other differences Thus each extols his own viewpoint And none takes an all-pervasive view of reality Still calling himself the Omniscient Says Cidananda only the seeker can find The Right Way shown by the Jina

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Awake ye my soul, Drink the beauty of the Jina's face

Cast aside attachment for things mundane And follow the Right Way Compare not one earthly pleasure With meditation austerities or restraint His mind runs like a mad horse Who is immersed in earthly pleasures For each one of these pleasures. One has to bear an immense pain Realising the pure soul in myself I write all these things Look how loaded with lust An elephant courts the pain of bondage. Being tempted by the pleasure of the tongue A foolish fish repents in a net. Being attracted by the smell A bee is caught in the cavil of a lotus. And this in turn is devoured by an elephant. Being attracted by colour The fly rushes to its death It is strange that where lies the source of pain Is beautiful at the first sight A deer who is sensitive to the sound Has its head cut-off soon If those that are attached to one sense only Bear such an intense pain. What can be said of those That are attached to all the five senses? Says Cidananda, hearing these words Stay engrossed in thy own Self

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I have tasted the bliss of Realisation
My dear, I have tasted it to the full
Know this for certain—
As stone is different from gold
So is Matter from Soul
Love and hatred are causes of bondage
Know them as alien to thy Self
Says Cidananda, Oh my Lord,
From cycles of birth and death
Liberate me by thy infinite grace

## The Jaina Theory of Substance

-as it appeared in the Buddhist texts-

#### BHAG CHANDRA JAIN

Substance (dravva or padārtha) in Jainism denotes any permanent existence with its numerous attributes and modifications. The substance has indeed a permanence (dhrauvva) but its specific phase has utpāda (origin) and vva)a (destruction). There is neither quality without substance nor substance without quality. There is neither quality without substance nor substance without quality. Dravia as distinguished from bhāva, is one as a class, and is the inherent essence of all things manifesting diverse forms. In its reality it can neither be created nor destroyed it has only substantiality. But through its modes it secures the triple nature in character.

According to one classification dravia is of six kinds viz  $\mu va$  (soul), pudgala (matter) dharma (principle of motion), adharma (principle of rest)  $\bar{a}k\bar{a}sa$  (space), and  $k\bar{a}la$  (time) The first five types of dravias are called  $\bar{a}stikavas$  (those which have different pradesas or areas like a body) and the last is named  $anastik\bar{a}ia^6$ 

According to another classification it is of three kinds, viz sakriva (active) miskriva (inactive), and sakriva-miskriva (active-inactive). The sakriva dravvas, which have the capacity of moving from place to place, are pudgala and jiva. The miskriva dravva is just the opposite of sakriva dravva. It has neither direct nor indirect functional power. Space comes under this classification. Kāla is also included in the category of miskriva dravva, though it accounts for changes in other things. Sakriva-miskriva dravvas are those realities which move about without themselves undergoing changes or motion. These have merely avagā-hana (place). Dharma and adharma come under this classification.

Jiva, dharma and adhrama have innumerable areas or pradesas,  $\bar{a}k\bar{a}sa$  has infinite pradesas Kāla has one pradesa? These six dravvus maintain their identical nature without losing their respective qualities,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> davvam sallakkhaniyam uppadavvayadhuvattisamjuttam gunapajjayasayam va jam tam bhannanti savvanhu—Pancastikaya, 10

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> utpadavyavadhrauvyayuktam sat —Tattvarthasutra, 5 30

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> davvena vina na guna gunehim davvam vina na sambhavati —Puncastikaya, 13

<sup>4</sup> Ibid , 8

<sup>\*</sup> Ibid . 10 11

<sup>6</sup> Dravya Sangraha, 23

<sup>7</sup> Ibid , 25

though they are mutually interpenetrating and accommodate one another and mix up to occupy the same space  $^8$   $Ak\bar{a}sa$ ,  $k\bar{a}la$ , jiva, dharma and adharma are formless or  $am\bar{u}rta$  dravyas. They do not possess the sense qualities of contact, taste, smell, sound and colour Pudgala (matter) alone is  $m\bar{u}rta$ . All the dravyas, except, jiva, are acetana (devoid of consciousness)  $^9$ 

In still another classification, the dravy as or tativas are divided into seven categories, viz jiva (soul) ajiva (non-soul), asrava (inflow of  $k\bar{a}rmic$  matter into the soul), bandha (bondage of soul by  $k\bar{a}rmic$  matter), samvara (arrest of the influx of  $k\bar{a}rmic$  matter), nirjarā (shedding of  $k\bar{a}rmic$  matter) and  $mok_1a$  (liberation of soul from  $k\bar{a}rmic$  matter)

The seven tativas are so arranged here as to provide an epitome of the Jaina doctrine of salvation. The first two, jiva and ajiva, comprise the entire universe. The plight of the jiva in samsāra is on account of the karnic matter which flows into it. Samvara and nirjarā are the two states in the process of liberation wherein the inflow of  $k\bar{a}rmic$  matter is first stopped, and all  $k\bar{a}rmic$  matter is subsequently shed. The jiva thus becomes completely free of  $k\bar{a}rmic$  matter and attains moksa. These seven tativas are internal and hence 'sat'

References to above six dravias of Jainism are found in the Pali Canon as well as in later Buddhist literature written in Sanskrit They are, however, not referred to in a systematic order

#### (1) Conception of Soul (Jiva)

In the course of a conversation with Sakya Mahanama, the Buddha speaks of Nigantha Nataputta's doctrine as follows

"If there is an evil deed that was formerly done by you get rid of its consequences by severe austerity. To keep away from evil deeds in the future, one should exercise the control of body  $(k\bar{a}yena\ samvut\bar{a})$ , control of speech  $(v\bar{a}c\bar{a}ya\ samvut\bar{a})$ , and control of thought  $(manas\bar{a}\ samvut\bar{a})$ . Thus by burning up, by making an end of, former deeds and by the non-doing of new deeds, there is no more transmission of modes for him in the future. The stoppage of transmission of modes in the future leads to the destruction of deeds  $(\bar{a})atim\ anavassavo$ , the destruction of deeds in turn leads to the destruction of ill, the destruction of

<sup>8</sup> Pancastikaya, 7

<sup>\*</sup> Ibid , 104

ill to the destruction of feeling, and from the destruction of feeling all ills wear out." The Buddha says further "It is approved by us, it is pleasing to us, therefore we are delighted."

atthi kho vo nigantha, pubbe pāpakammam katam, tam imāya katukāva dukkarakārikāva nijjiretha , yam panettha etarahi kāyena samvutā, vācāya samvutā, manasā samvutā, tam āvatum pāpassa kammassa akaranam , iti purānam kammānam tupasā vyuntibhāvā, navānam kammānam akaranā, āvatim anavassavā kammakkhayo, kammakkhayā dukkhakkayo, dukkhakkhayā vedanākkhayo vedanākkhayā sabbam dukkham nijjinnam bhavissati ti tam ca panamhākam ruccati ceva khamati ca tena cāmham attamanā ti 10

This is a comprehensive introduction to the seven reals or *tattvas* of the Jainas The thoughts of Nigantha Nataputta represented in this passage are as follows

- (1) The existence of soul
- (1) Sukha and dukkha (pleasure and pain) are due to previous karmas
- (iii) By ascetic practices with right knowledge one could get rid of the effects of  $k\hat{a}rmic$  matter
- (iv) On the complete stoppage of  $k\bar{a}rm\kappa$  matter, dukkhas would be arrested and without dukkha there would be no  $vedan\bar{a}$  (feeling), and the absence of  $vedan\bar{a}$  would lead to an end of dukkhas and this is called moksa

Here the first point represents  $j_1va$  and  $aj_1va$ , the second represents  $\bar{a}srava$  and bandha, and the third point stands for samvara and  $nirjar\bar{a}$ , and the last corresponds with  $mok \, sa$ 

The Brahmajālasutta in the Dighankāya refers to the sixty-two contemporary philosophical views which fall into two categories namely pubbantānudithi indicating the ultimate beginninglessness of things concerned with the ultimate past on eighteen grounds, and the aparantānudithi dealing with the future on forty-four ground. All the current views of that time have been classified into these two groups, as the Buddha himself says that there is no other conception beyond them (natthi ito bahiddhā) 11

M 1 93 , cf M 11 31 , M 11 214 ff , also see A 1 220
 D 1 31-39

According to pubbantānuditthis, the views about the beginning of things in eighteen ways are as follows 12

- (1) Some (Sassatavādis) hold in four ways that the soul (attā) and the universe (loko) are eternal
- (11) Some (Ekaccasassatavādis) hold in four ways that the soul and universe are in some respects eternal and in others not
- (III) Some (Antānantavādis) hold that the universe is finite, or infinite, or finite and infinite, or neither finite or infinite
- (iv) Some (Amaravikkhepavādis) wriggle in four ways and refuse
- (v) Some (Adhiccasamupapannavādis) assert in two ways that the soul and the universe have arisen without a cause

In the context of showing the aparantānuditthis<sup>18</sup> (views about the future) the Buddha mentions them in forty-four ways

- (1) Some (Uddhamāghātanikā Saññivādis) hold in sixteen ways that the soul is conscious after death
- (ii) Some (Uddhamāghātanikā Asaññivādis) hold in eight ways that it is unconscious after death
- (III) Some *Uddhamāghātanikā Nevasañīni-nāsañīnivādis*) hold in eight ways that it is neither conscious or unconscious after death
- (iv) Some (Uccedavādis) hold in seven ways the annihilation of the soul
- (v) Some (Ditthadhammanibbānavādis) hold that nibbāna consists in the enjoyment of this life in five ways, either in the pleasures of senses or in one of the four trances

Out of these conceptions, the theories of *Uddhamāghātanikā sañ ñīvāda* should be mentioned here, according to which the soul is conscious and eternal The Buddha says "There are brethren, recluses

<sup>12</sup> Ibid 1 32

<sup>18</sup> D 1 31-39

and *Brāhmanas* who maintain in sixteen ways, that the soul after death is conscious and it is not subject to decay. The sixteen ways are as follows. 14

- (1) Soul has form (rūpi attā hoti arogo param maranā saññā)
- (11) Soul is formless (arūpi attā hoti arogo param maranā)
- (iii) Soul has and has not form (rūpi ca grūpi attā hoti)
- (iv) Soul neither has nor has not form (nevarūpi narūpi attā hoti)
- (v) Soul is finite (anta attā hoti)
- (vi) Soul is infinite (ananta attă hoti)
- (vii) Soul is both (antavā ca anantavā ca attā hoti)
- (viii) Soul is neither (nevantavā nānantavā ca attā hoti)
  - (1x) Soul has one mode of consciousness (ekattasaññi attā hoti)
  - (x) Soul has various modes of consciousness (nanattasañn: atta hoti)
  - (x1) Soul has limited consciousness (parittasaññi atta hoti)
- (x11) Soul has infinite consciousness (appamānasaññi attā hoti)
- (XIII) Soul is altogether happy (ekāntasukhī attā hoti)
- (XIV) Soul is altogether miserable (ekāntadukkhi attā hoti)
- (xv) Soul is both (sukhadukkhi attā hoti)
- (xvi) Soul is neither (adukkhamasukhi attā hoti)

A list of sixteen theories regarding the nature of soul is also referred to in the *Udana* <sup>15</sup> The topics listed there are said to be debated by many *Samanas* and *Brāhmanas* and they give views about the Soul which bear similarity with those we find in a section of *Uddhamāghātanikā Saññīvāda* The same points are also treated somewhat differently in the list of undetermined questions <sup>16</sup> The questions have been discussed at several other places in Pali literature <sup>17</sup>

Out of these views mentioned above the thoughts of Nigantha Nataputta can be detected. As we know, Buddhaghosa thought that Jainism was a combination of eternalism and nihilism. If this is due to an early Buddhist tradition, Nigantha Nataputta's view might have been recorded in Pali literature under these two sections. The Sassatavāda indicated the eternity of the soul which should have been mentioned from the realistic standpoint and Uccedavāda points out the non-eternity of the soul which should have been explained from practical standpoint. The soul is eternal and has consciousness according to niscayanaya, and it is non-eternal and is a subject of change in its modifications

<sup>14</sup> Ibid , 1 32

<sup>15</sup> Udana, p 67

<sup>16</sup> D 1 187, M 1 431, Dharmasangraha, 137

<sup>17</sup> Cf D 1 195 , S 11 60

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according to vyavaharanaya It is also pointed out that the soul is extended over all parts of the body which is very similar to the view of the Jainas Jainism is also of the view that the soul is formless and is possessed of consciousness 18 Buddhaghosa also referred to this view of the Jainas 19

Potthapada describes the theories of attā (soul) as follows 20

- (1) Attā has a form and is composed of the four elements enjoying food. This is the theory of material soul (olārikam kho, aham bhante, attānam paccemi rūpim catumahābhūtikam kabalinkā-harabhakkham ti)
- (11) Attā is made of mind (manomaya) embracing all parts and not devoid of sense-organs (manomayam kho aham, bhante, attānam paccemi sabbangapaccangim ahinindriyam ti)
- (III) Attā is formless and endowed with consciousness (arūpini kho aham, bhante, attānam paccemi saññamayam ti)
- (1v) Consciousness is different from attā (anna va saññā añña va attā ti)

Out of these theories, Guruge is of the view that the first theory probably belongs to the Jainas for Jainism flourished in the same region where the Buddha was active  $^{21}$  But this does not appear convincing Perhaps a more correct view would be that this theory belongs to the  $C\tilde{a}rv\tilde{a}ka$  philosophy according to which the soul, like the body, is a aggregation of the four elements  $^{22}$  No such view is accepted by Jaina philosophy. The third view can be, of course, recognised as the Jaina

iso uvaogamao amutsikatta sadehaparimano bhotta samsarattho si.idho so vissasoddhagai — Dravyasangraha, 2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> arupa-samapatti-nimittam pana atta ti samapatti-sannan c assa sannigahetva va nigantho-adayo pannapeti, viya takkomattena eva va, arupi atta sanni ti nam —Sumangala Vilasini, p 110

<sup>20</sup> D 1 186-7 Cf D m 137

 $<sup>^{31}</sup>$  'The Place of Buddhism in Indian Thought', Journal of Vidyodaya University of Ceylon, Vol 1 No 1, p 25

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> atha lokayatam prihivyaptejovayuriti tattvani tatsamudaye sarirendriyavisayasanjna tebhyascaitanyam kinvadibhyo madasaktivat vijnanam—Bhaskara Bhasya, Bauddha Darsan tatha anya Bharatiya Darsan, p 824 Cf Sandukasutta of Majjhima Nikaya

theory of soul for soul, in Jainism is, as we have already seen, accepted as formless and conscious 23

The Vinantimatratasiddhi mentions that according to the Jamas, the soul is eternal by nature, and it stretches itself according to the size and shape of the body (jainah manyante svabhavato nityo 'pyatma pariname tu anivatah direhahrsvakamanusankocavikasasilatvat) 24 Catuhsataka also points out that according to some philosophers the soul is spread over the entire body. It shrinks and extends according to the dimensions of the body of men or animal. Therefore, a bee, bild, elephant, etc have their souls in proportion to their bodies (evam kecit bhramara-sārasa-pipilikā-hastvādi-nāmātma kāvamātra iti tasya sank ocam vistāram va pratipadyte) 25 This view mentioned in the Catuhsataka is definitely related to the Jaina theory of soul Umasvami says that by the contraction and expansion of the pradesas, the soul expands according to the body, as the light from a lamp gets expansion and contraction according to the dimensions of the room. That is the reason why a soul can occupy the space provided by an ant or an elephant 26

Acarya Santaraksita in his Tattias angraha wrote a separate chapter entitled " $\overline{A}tma$   $Pariks \overline{a}$ " or the examination of the soul. There he refuted most of the relevant theories. In this context he examined the Jaina theory of the soul and refuted it on the basis of the doctrine of momentariness as advanced by the Buddhists

The theory of soul, according to the Jainas, as he described, has been established through dravyārthikanaya (substance point of view) and parvāyārthirkanaya (successive-phase point-of-view). He says the soul has the characteristic of consciousness only (cillaksana evātmā). In the form of substance, it remains the same under all states (anuratātmaka or comprehensive) by nature, while in the form of successive phase being distinct with each state, it is exclusive in its nature (vyāvrtyātmaka). This two-fold character of the soul is cognised by direct

yatha agnirusna parayayenaanyadravyasadharnanavadharyate "ayamagnih" iti, sa cettatsvabhavo na bhavet prativisistasadharanaparyayabhavadagneranavadharanaprasangah tatha atmano'pi jnanadanyatve'navadharanam, yato yamanyadravyasadharanajnanapai yayah tatsvabhavat, tato'nanyo dravyarthadesat sa cenna jnanasvabhavah satyevamajnah syat, tatascasyanavadharanaprasangh —Tattvarthavartika, 16

<sup>14</sup> Vijnaptimati atasiddhi, p 7

<sup>28</sup> Catuhsataka, 10 18

pradesasamharavisarpabhyam pradipavat —Tattvarthasutra, 5 16, also see anugurudchapamano upasamharappasappado ceda —Dravyasangraha, 10

perception, and does not stand in need of being proved by other evidence. Thus consciousness which continues to exist through all states, even though these states are diverse, are forms of motion and rest, from the substance standpoint, while the successive phase consist of the diverse states which appear one after the other, and all these are distinctly perceived

digambarāsta eva prāhuh cillakşana evātmā sa ca dravvarūpena sarvāvasthāsvabhinnatvāt anugamātmakah, paryāyarūpena tu pratyavastham bhinnatvāt vyāvrtyātmakah etacca pratyaksatah eva siddhamātmano dvairūp) amiti na pramānāntaratah prasādhyam tathāhi—sukhādvavavasthābhede'pi vadavasthātrsarvāvasthāsu caitanyamupalnbhyate taddravyam, paryāyastu kramabhāvinah sukhādyavasthābhedah te ca pratyaksatah eva siddha iti parasya bhavah 27

Santaraksita further explains the above view of the Jainas stating on behalf of them that there would be no difference between substance and successive phase on the ground of their non-difference regarding place, time and nature, the two would be held to be one. The two may be different as regards number and other factors. For instance, the difference regarding number is that the substance is one, while successive phases are many. By nature one is comprehensive, while the other is distributive. In number a jar, for example, is one, but its colour and other attributes are many. In this way, their functions, etc. are also different. But substance is not absolutely different at successive phases. Therefore soul and its modes are also not absolutely different. Having the characteristic of consciousness it is eternal and constant from the view of substance, while from the view of successive phases it changes in its modes such as pleasure, pain etc.

dešakālasvabhāvanamabhedādekatocyate
sankhyālakşanasamjāārthabhedābhedastuvarnyate
rūpādayo ghatašceti sankhyāsañjanavibheditā
kārvānuvrttivyāvrtti lakşanārthavibheditā
dravyaparvāyayorevam naikāntenāviseşavat
dravyam paryāyarūpena višesam vāti cet svayam 28

The James try to convince the opponents by presenting the example of narasimha They say that, like naiasimha, there is no self-contradic-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Tattvasangraha Panjika, p. 118, ka 311

Tattvasangraha, 313-315

tion in the dual characteristic of soul. For, the soul is impartiate  $(nirbh\bar{a}ga)$ , therefore it exists in the joint dual form, and hence is not perceived separately <sup>29</sup>

The theory of soul in Jainism, as referred to by Santaraksita, is also referred to by Arcata in his  $Hetubindu-tik\bar{a}$  30 The arguments submitted to refute the theory also are similar. The main defect, according to them, in this theory, is the self-contradiction, which is not accepted by the Jainas. Santaraksita urged that one entity cannot have two forms. He puts forward two points in support of his view. He says if there is an unmodified substance in connection with successive phases, there is no difference in it, and in that case, it is not liable to be modified 31. Oneness between substance and its modes will involve the substance to be distributed like the forms of successive phases or the successive phases themselves would be mixed into the substance. Hence there would be no difference between them, and the theory will be disproved

svabhāvabhedamekatvam tasmın satı ca bhınnatā kathañcadapı duhsādhya paryāyātmasvarūpavat agaune caivamekatve dravyaparyāyayoh sthite vyāvrttimadbhavet dravyam paryāyānām svarupavat yadı ca te 'pi paryāyah sarve pyanugatātmakah dravvavatorapnuvantesām dravenaikātmatā sthiteh 32

As regards narasimha, he says, it is an aggregate of many atoms, that is why it seems dual in nature (anekānusamūhātma sa tathaiva pratījate) 33 Thus Santaraksita as well as Arcata 34 refute the theory on the ground that one cannot have two forms. Otherwise the eternality and the dual nature would be both untrue and unreliable

<sup>&</sup>quot; Ibid , 325

<sup>\*</sup> Hetubindutika, p 98-104

at Tattvasangraha, 312

<sup>32</sup> Ibid , 316-318

<sup>\*\*</sup> Tattvasangraha, 327

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> dravyaparyayarupatvat dvasrupyam vastunah khalu tayorekatmakatve'pi bhedah sanjnadibhedatah indriyajnananirbhusi vasturupam hi gocarah sabdanam nasva tat kena sanjnabhedad vibhinnata —Hetubindutika, p 104-7

As a matter of fact, the dual characteristic of soul is based on the standpoint of non-absolutism which is ignored by the Buddhist philosophers. The views of the Jainas against these objections have been discussed in my article "Anekantavada and Bhuddhist Philosophers" published in the Vidarbha Samsodhana Mandala Vārşika Patrikā, 1966. I do not therefore want to repeat them here. But I need emphasize that there is no self-contradiction in the dual characteristic of the soul provided we conceive the problem through non-absolutistic standpoint (anekāntavāda)

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#### **PAUMACARIU**

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#### SVAY AMBHUDEVA

#### On the line of the Demons

Many years rolled by and now Ajita was on the throne of Ayodhya He was in the Iksvaku line. Since he was destined to be a Tirthankara, his birth, etc., were marked by the same events and similarly attended as those of Rsabha. One day Ajita was going to the Nandana Park. On the way he saw a charming lake whose surface was bedecked with beautiful lotuses in full bloom. In the evening, however, when he was returning by the same route, he saw that all the lotuses had lost their lusture and faded away. This raised very significant ripples in his mind about the transitoriness of life. Immediately he renounced the world, practised sukla-dhyāna and attained the kevala-jūāna

Now his cousin Sagara ascended the throne at Ayodhya and became the paramount (cakravarti) ruler. One day when Sagara was on a trip, his horses became wayward and landed him on a wilderness. It was already evening and so it was not possible for the king to return. Now while he was relaxing on the bank of a beautiful lake, he was seen by Tilakakesa, daughter of Sulocana and sister of Sahasraksa. She fell in love with the king. When the report leached her brother, he felt happy and the marriage between Sagara and Tilakakesa was solemnised. After this Sagara returned to his capital with the newly married wife.

This alliance with the mighty king of the Iksvaku dynasty strengthened the hands of Sahasraksa who wanted to wreak vengeance on Purnaghana, the slayer of his father. This he did destroying the latter in the battle. Purnaghana's son, Toyadavahana, escaped and took shelter in the audience-hall of Ajita Jina. When Sahasraksa reached there in pursuit, the Jina pacified him by relating previous births of them both and they gave up their enmity.

When the Demon chief, Bhima who was present there, heard that Toyadavahana was his son in previous birth, he took him in his embrace and said, "As you were my son in previous birth, even now you are dear to me Accept from me the aerial car Kamuka, and knowledge of many

rakşasī-vidyā (Demonaic charm), a necklace and the impregnable and sea-girded city of Lanka together with Patala Lanka Toyadavahana accepted the gifts and in Lanka, he founded a new line of Demons Long after this, Toyadavahana renounced the world and was succeeded by his son Maharaksasa At this juncture Ajita Jina entered into nirvēna

Once sixty thousand sons of Sagara went to the Kailasa mountain to pay their respect to the twentyfour Jaina shrines erected there by their illustrious ancestor, Bharata. At the suggestion of Bhagiratha (Bhairahi), they sought to dig out the Ganga and encircle the shrines with its flowing water. For this they employed danda-ratna to excavate the earth which produced such an upheaval in the region of the serpents that their lord Dharanendra became angry and destroyed them on the spot by his venomous look. Only two, Bhima and Bhagiratha, escaped to bring the message of this tragedy to their parent at Ayodhya. Sagara was so overwhelmed with grief that he immediately renounced the world. As Bhima refused to occupy the throne, Bhagiratha was crowned king.

Here Maharaksasa who went out after some time for water-sports with his queens chanced to see a dead-bee in the interior of a lotus. At this he reflected "All who are given to passion meet a similar fate". While he was in such a dejected mood, there arrived a company of monks Delighted at this the king requested them to introduce him to the holy order. They said

sāhu lankesara pain įtvevau attha je vāsara jam jānahi tam karahi turantau

"There remain only eight days for you to live, so do what you like" So Maharaksasa renounced the world and his son Devaraksasa ruled over Lanka

On the Line of the Monkeys

In Lanka, after Devaraksasa, there were sixtyfour kings in succession. After them, Kirtidhavala sat on the throne. Once Kirtidhavala's brother-in-law Srikantha came to Lanka with his wife Kamala, and lived with him for some time. When Srikantha was eager to leave the island, Kirtidhavala, to avert separation from him, asked him to choose any one of his numerous islands and live near him. This Srikantha did by selecting Vanara-dvipa (Monkey-island) and founding the city of Kiskupura on the mountain Kisku as his capital.

Once seeing gods proceeding towards Nandisvara Island, Srikantha also started in order to pay homage to the *Jina*. With his retenue, he reached Manusottara Parvata but his further movement was checked. So he returned to his city handed over his kingdom to his son and entered the holy order to practise austerities so that he could get qualified to enter Nandisvara. Successively eight kings in his line took the same course.

Amaraprabha, the ninth king, flourished during the interval between the Jinas Vasupujya and Sreyamsa. On the occasion of his marriage with the princess of Lanka, somebody executed the drawings of the monkeys in his courtyard. When the king became angry, the ministers told him that since the days of Srikantha, they were our family deities, cause of our prosperity and emblem for our dynasty. On hearing this the king became remorseful and gave orders to mark the royal crown, the royal umbrella, banners etc, with the monkey insignia. Since then his line became famous as the Monkey dynasty

There were several kings in succession both at Lanka and at the Vanara-dvipa. When the scene shifts, we have Sukesa on the throne of Lanka and Praticandra on the throne at the Vanara-dvipa.

Praticandra had two sons, Kiskindha and Andhraka Once they heard about the svayamvara of Srimala, the daughter of Vidyamandara, the king of Adityanagara on the Southern Range and went there. It so happened that the princess chose Kiskindha and placed the garland round his neck. This enraged Vijayasimha, the leader of the Vidyadharas who declared

abbhantare vijjāhara varāhun paisāru dinnu kim vannarāhun uddālaho vahu varaittu hanaho vānara vamsavarūho kandu khanaho

"Who did allow the Monkeys to take seats in the midst of the Vidyadharas? Take away the bride and kill the groom and wipe out the line of the Monkeys?

Thereupon Andhraka challenged Vijayasimha to a fight and there ensued a battle between the two parties. Sukesa, the king of Lanka, also arrived on the scene. When Vijayasimha was killed in the battle, Sukesa asked his allies to return to Kiskupura with Srimala.

Asanivega, father of Vijayasimha, being told of his son's death surrounded Kiskupura and along with his other son Vidyudvahana challenged Kiskindha and Andhraka to a fight. A terrible battle ensued in which the combined forces of Lanka and Vanara-dvipa were routed. Andhraka was killed and Kiskindha and Sukesa took shelter in the Patala Lanka. Thus annexing the kingdoms of Lanka and Monkey-island and bringing all other Vidyadharas also under his control, Asanivega handed over his kingdom to his son Sahasrara and joined the religious order.

Then one day Kiskindha came out and went on a pilgrimage to Mount Meru. On his return journey he saw a beautiful mountain where he called his subjects and founded the beautiful city of Kiskindhapura. Kiskindha had two sons, Iksurava and Suryarava.

Now, Sukesa and his three sons Malin, Sumalin and Malayavat were still in the Patala Lanka. Once the sons proposed to go out to see Kiskindha but was forbidden by their father as there was danger all round from the enemy. 'We cannot leave Patala Lanka. Lanka, which belonged to us since the days of Toyadavahana, is no longer in our possession.' This enraged the young blood and Malin took a vow to enter Lanka triumphantly the very next day. Accordingly Lanka was beseized and the governor killed in the battle. Sukesa and his three sons now re-entered Lanka and paid homage at the shrine of Santi. Iina

Malin became a mighty conqueror and established his suzcreinty on all the Vidyadhara states. But he rose for a fall. At that time, Indra, son of Sahasrara, was the king at Rathanupura on the Southern Range. Malin clashed with him and in the encounter that followed, Malin was killed by Indra. The defeated army of Lanka and Kiskindhapura fled in complete confusion. Indra put Lanka in charge of Danda and Kiskii in that of Yama.

#### Birth of Ravana

Long after this, Sumalin in Patala Lanka got a son named Ratnasrava When grown up, he went to Puspavana for mastering vidyās There he met Kaikasi, the daughter of Vyomabindu As previously destined, they were married Ratnasrava founded there a city and called his relatives to live with him

Long after this, Kaikasi dreamt that a lion, after tearing open the temples of an elephant, entered into her womb and that the sun and the moon sat in her lap Ratnasrava interpreted these dreams "You will give bith to three sons, the eldest of whom will be a Universal Monarch of formidable prowess" In due course Kaikasi gave birth to Ravana, Bhanukarna, Candranakhi and Vibhisana

Ravana was adventurous from the early boyhood. One day while playing Ravana entered the family treasure-house where was kept a precious necklace from the time of Toyadavahana. It had nine gems shaped like planets and guarded by venomous snakes. Ravana readily placed it round his neck. Immediately there were reflections of his face on the nine gems and he came to be known as Dasamukha (Ten-headed).

## ten dahamuhu dahasiru janena kiu pancananai jem pasidhi gau

This feat on the part of the child pleased not only his parents but also Kiskindha Iksuiava, Suryarava and they saw in him the highest hope and promise of their lines

Once Ravana seeing Vaisravana pass across the sky asked his mother who he was. She replied 'He is your cousin-brother. He brought infamy to us by going over to our enemies and usurped our ancestral home. Lanka Hearing this, the three brothers went to the terrible forest Bhimavana for mastering  $vidy\bar{a}s$ . They had to encounter difficulties and temptations but they remained steadfast, particularly Ravana, and in consequence he acquired a thousand  $vidi\bar{a}s$ . Ravana then founded the city called Svayampiabha and built a shrine called Sahasrasikhara. On hearing his prosperity, his friends and relatives came to join him from Kisku and Patala Lanka

#### Ravana's Marriage Lanka Reconquered

Through five-meal fasts Ravana came to possess the magic sword Candrahasa. He then set out on a pilgrimage to Mount Meru. During his absence, Maya and Maiica arrived there with the charming princess Mandodari. On his return from Mount Meru, Ravana married Mandodari and had two sons by her, Indrajita and Ghanavahana.

On another occasion he married six thousand Gandharva damsels by defeating the army of Surasundara

In Kumbhapura, Bhanukarna was married From there he carried occasional raids in the territory of Lanka Vaisravana sent messenger to Sumalin to restrain his grandson or surrender him as ransom. This infuriated Ravana who marched on Lanka. In the fierce battle that ensued, Ravana defeated Vaisravana, captured his aerial car Puspavimana and entered Lanka. Ravana thus became the overlord of a hundred states.

Ravana went out on an aerial visit of the white Jaina shrines erected by Harisena in his newly acquired Puspavimana and had halted at Mount Sammeta where he heard the terrific trumpet of an elephant With rare courage, strength and skill, he tamed and acquired the animal and named it Tubhuvanalankara (Ornament of the Three Worlds)

Meanwhile, a messenger arrived with the news of the crushing defeat of Kiskindha's sons in the hands of Yama, governor of Kisku Immediately Ravana marched on the city of Yama and raided it releasing all prisoners and crushing all weapons of torture. This enraged Yama who faced Ravana in the encounter and was utterly defeated Yama ran to Indra, the overlord of all the Vidyadhras, and tendered his resignation. Indra wanted to march on Ravana but he was dissuaded by his minister and instead messengers were sent to Ravana. Ravana gave the city of Yama to Iksurava and Kiskindhapuri to Suryarava. Then he returned to Lanka where he was now formally crowned as their king.

jiha surabai suravara-purihi tiha rajju sa iin bhuñjantu thiu

Now Ravana ruled Lanka as the Lord of gods did in heaven

To be continued

# The Misery —its what, why, and how—

### PRADYUMNA KUMAR JAIN

Misery (dukkha), according to Jaina view is an outcome of the confusion of realities and confusion because the reality is not rightly apprehended Before apprehending it rightly we have to know that the reality, by its very nature, is apprehensible. That what is apprehensible positively exists. To exist is therefore, to be real. The real is astikia. Existence is its differential characteristic. It is, says Kunda Kunda pervasive among all the padarthas, it is universal assuming infinite modifications, etc., etc.<sup>2</sup> The existence is real the real is existence In addition to it the author of Pañcādhvāvi mentions some more attributes attached with the real The real according to it, is, besides being also self-proved (sia-prāmānika) eternal (ntia) self-dependent (svāhalambi) and non-conceptual (nirvikalpa) 3. The real, assuming that nature is such, is categorized in two ways namely the self (117a) having the quality of conscious-attentiveness (upavoga) and the not-self (apra) having it not. From these basic categories emerge some more ones which are meant to explain the riddle of life-cycle-mundane as well They are the influx  $(\bar{a}siana)$  bondage (bandha), check or resistance (sambara), annihilation (niriai  $\bar{a}$ ) and liberation (mok sa) 4 Kunda Kunda added two more categories to the existing list, i.e. merit (pun;a) and demerit  $(p\bar{a}pa)^5$  thus making an exhaustive list of nine categories (tattvas)

In this account of categories the Jaina has a unique position among all the philosophies of the world. His uniqueness lies mainly in the elaboration of the last seven categories of the real. The āsrava and bandha are held to be the causes of misery, samivara and nirjarā to be the ways for eradication of the causes of misery and the last one mokşa to be the ultimate state of soul's emancipation from misery. Now, for the sake of systematic exposition of each category we divide our dissertation under three heads, viz. what why, and how. The 'what' will deal with the meaning of the term, the 'why' with its cause or causes and the 'how with its functioning

- 1 Pky, 5
- <sup>2</sup> Ibid, 8
- <sup>8</sup> Panc 1-8
- 4 TS.1-2
- <sup>5</sup> Pky, 108

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#### The What

Asrava means the influx of matter in the domain of spirit infused in the spirit's own perverted calls, and bandha is the retention of that infused matter with the spirit for a certain length of time. This shows that  $\bar{a}srava$  and bandha are the two states of mutuality of the self (jiva) with matter (pudgala). They are viewed from two angles, one psychic (bhāva) pertaining to the soul-side and the other material (dravya) pertaining to the matter-side. From these angles they are sub-divided as the psychic influx (bhāvāsrava) and the psychic bondage (bhāva-bandha), and the material influx (dravyāsrava) and the material bondage (dravya-bandha). Since both of these categories are equally applicable to both the logically independent and emprically identical series of the soul and matter, they are therefore, relative to karman.

#### The Why

The causes of  $\bar{a}srava$  and bandha lies primarily in the  $avidy\bar{a}$  of jiva which is prevalent since eternity. It reveals that the knowledge-attribute ( $j\bar{n}\bar{a}na$  guna) of the soul is perverted by its very birth. It is accompanied by delusion (moha) which affects, wholly or partially, the daisana as well as the  $c\bar{a}ritra$ -attributes of the soul, giving rise to wrong belief ( $mithy\bar{a}$  darsana) of various types and wrong attitude ( $mithy\bar{a}$   $c\bar{a}ritra$ ) subsuming in itself the non-restraint (asamyama), carelessness ( $pram\bar{a}da$ ) and vibratory states (poga) of the soul. Kunda Kunda collectively calls them as  $adhvavas\bar{a}na$   $avidea Adhvavas\bar{a}na$  thus drags the soul into the miseries of the world

Adhyavasāna is rooted in the identity of the soul with other beings <sup>8</sup> In this state the soul loses its self-confidence—It becomes the slave of others, and seeks dependence—Thus accepting dependence it functions otherwise—The otherwise functioning qua-dependence sows the seeds of the miseries of the world, and originates the mutuality of the soul and the matter <sup>9</sup> The mutuality is such that any vibration in either side produces similar echo in the other side—This blind mutuality is essentially the cause of bandha—The chain of misbelief (mithyātva), attachment  $(r\bar{a}ga)$ , aversion (dveşa) and other passions  $(kaş\bar{a}yas)$ , therefore, goes on endlessly

<sup>4</sup> A Kh K kavya, 115, 284

<sup>7</sup> Ssr , 365, 268, 269

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> A Kh, to 265

Panc , 2-73, 76

The How

Now, the question is, how this mutuality hampers the infinite attributes of the soul. At the mundane stage the functioning of the soul takes shape in three ways, i.e., mind (mana), speech (vacana) and body  $(k\bar{a}va)^{10}$  These are the three charging points in the orbit of the soul The cartra of the soul is shaped through them termed as the vogas Thus any change that occurs in mind body and speech pre-supposes the corresponding change in soul's thought-activities (bhāvas) The change in thought-activities caused by certain prior condition brings about the molecular change in the orbit. The change in the orbit acts on the environment causing the latter's reaction to it. In this process of action and reaction something comes in and goes out of the orbit goes out is something repulsed out by the soul, and it gets a part of its blocked energy released in that way. But in seaction what comes in causes turmoil in soul's region and creates whirl-pools therein the inflown matter is captivated in that newly created situation a part of soul's energy is itself captivated in that situation created by the inflown matter. So as soon as the whirl-pool gets subsided, the blocked energy—soul s as well as matter's—is released 11 Such a cycle of incoming and out-going never ends, unless the precautionary measures are taken up. Thus the captivation of soul and matter is caused by each other through mutual causal reaction (nimitta naimittika sambandha)12 that has absolutely no beginning and relatively no end

In this mutuality, the initiative, as pointed out by kunda Kunda, seems much active from the side of the soul. For the whirl-pools of passions are unconsciously formed by the soul. Thence the  $k\bar{a}rmic$  matter gets life. Had there been no passions in the soul, no  $k\bar{a}rmic$  matter would have been retained frustrating the possibility of bandha 13. In this way  $\bar{a}srava$  of karmas takes shape in two ways. The first, which gets life in the form of bandha and the second, which passes away then and there 14. From the point of view of substance (suddha dravyārthikanava) it is the soul that causes its bondage and release, and the matter is dummy neutral. The soul creates such situations on account of which the matter is retained or released. But from practical point of view the position is reversed. The rise of priority-bound karmas (pūrba-karmoda)a) creats some such situations in which the soul's energy is

<sup>10</sup> TS, 6-1

<sup>11</sup> A Kh to 73, p 134

<sup>18</sup> Pky, 60

<sup>18</sup> A Kh K kavya, 114, Ssr 176

<sup>14</sup> TS, 6-4

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moulded spontaneously. Had there been no such material change and no inflow of karmas, the viewpoint asserts, there would have been no bondage, no enjoyment and consequently no misery of the soul In this way, an organism of the soul comes to be the bundle of R's (reactions) against different S's (stimulu). It does not have its own independent and absolute entity. Or, to put in the terminology of Bertrand Russel, it appears as a perspective, a neutral entity wherein the aspects of several different things function together. Thus the soul is held responsible for all the affairs so long as it occupies the central position in the focus of mental perspective. But no sooner the view-point shifts from the soul to the matter than the soul escapes responsibility The Jama, however reconciles both the view-points of world forming through his non-absolute outlook and tends to preserve both of the conflicting views as correct and professes the mutuality of the soul with the matter accordingly. In this way, the psychic influx (bhāvāsrava) causes the material influx (dravi asrava), and vice-versa 15 But it is valid only from relative point of view for, realistically the cause and the effect merge into the substantial identity, whereas the activities of the soul and the matter are not substantially identical. From real point of view the soul is the cause of its own thought-activities, while the matter is that of Realistically the phychic influx (bhāvāsrava) is caused by the soul's own previous thought-activities (bhāvas) and the material influx (dri) āsraja) by material ones. On realistic level such a parallelism is perpetual. It may cease to be if either side of it may anyhow be made to cease initially. Such a voluntary initiation is possible only in the spiritual side, because it is the experiencing agent and the sufferer of The material influx (draviāsrava) and the material bondage (draviabandha) are only the material translation of spiritual sufferings But change in both the sides is so accurate and concurrent that empirically they have no exclusive value, and appears to be dynamic in mutual causation

Since the soul, in this mutuality of causation, is a sentient entity that wills, it looks quite possible that sometimes this mutuality may not remain mechanical, especially when the soul would voluntarily restrain its thought-activities and would be immune from the side of matter. In such a spiritual state, the material influx (dravyāsrava) would take place, but finding no receptivity in the form of psychic influx (bhāvasrava) it would not retain itself there thus causing no bundha at all 16. This proves that as a result of a previous cyclic movement, inflow takes

<sup>15</sup> A Kh K kavya 119, 121, Ssr 80

<sup>16</sup> Ser 177, 178

place, but the immunity of the soul does not welcome it, and it purges away at once From this view-point Umasvati classifies the influx  $(\bar{a}srava)$  with passions  $(saka_s\bar{a}ya)$  and without passions  $(aka_s\bar{a}ya)^{17}$  Passions catch the inflown matter just as oil-painted body catches the dust, 18 similarly in their absence the inflown  $k\bar{a}rmic$  matter gets back, as the dust is dashed away by the smooth surface of the pitcher

Asrava and bandha, however, depict a constant state of tension in the The matter bound partially with a certain attribute domain of the soul of the soul forms, in the terminology of neo-psychology, a complex. which is partially subjective and partially objective or it is a fusion of a little part from the side of the spirit and a little from the side of the matter, which is naturally dynamic by virtue of the dynamism of both the constituent entities separately. From this dynamic fusion the complex emerges as a psycho-biologic striving, constantly struggling for proper catharsis In this endeavour the person adopts a particular line and philosophy of his actions. His attitude is always guided positively or negatively by the complexes. Thus by virtue of these complexes the person remains always in a state of mental tension and in order to neutralize the tension he accumulates further collocations grosser than what constitute a complex In the Jaina terminology, kārmic molecules (kārmic varganās) constitute the complex proper in a subtle form and quasi-kārmic molecules (a-karma varganās) grosser in form and nature constitute the external limbs of the body in consistency with the subtle Thus this state of internal tension hampers full manifestation of soul's energy. The spontaneous current of consciousness flows thereby preserving innumerable stumbling-blocks in its womb bandha is, in this way, preceded by the asraya of the karmas

It is however, not a sufficient elaboration of the nature of bandha. The Jaina has a very clear conception about it, and he looks very confident in its accuracy. The matter inflown in the spiritual domain, he further elaborates, neither comes, nor does it remain in a chaotic form, it form a system—dynamic but artificial in nature. Every vibration of each attribute of the soul has its unique character that attracts the molecules—each of unique nature, befitting only a particular call of the soul 19. The whole of inflown matter, according to its diversified uniqueness, is, in this way, retained up. It assumes various forms in collaboration with the soul's different thought-activities (bhāvas) full of passions,

<sup>17</sup> TS, 6-4

<sup>18</sup> Ssr , 237, 241

<sup>18</sup> Pky . 65 . Ssr . 91

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whereas that volume of molecules which could get no passionate reception in the soul is purged out all at once. Thus every retained molecule has a definite reference to a certain point of spiritual attribute. Since the soul is a unified system of infinite attributes, the matter, that has a regular correspondence with certain points of those attributes, would ipso facto reveal a system. Now since the system is established, its various departments endowed with certain definite functions are necessary to exist. It is for this that the Jaina has conceived of a system of karmas that is roughly divided into eight compartments. They are  $^{20}$ 

1	Knowledge-obscuring	(jñānāvaranīja)
2	Intuition-obscuring	(daršanāvaranīya)
3	Feeling-producing	(vedaniya)
4	Deluding	(mohaniya)
5	Age-determining	$(\bar{a}yuh)$
6	Body-making	(nāma)
7	Family-determining	(gotra)
8	Obstructive	(antarāva)

The eight classes as mentioned above are distinguished in the  $k \hat{a}imic$  system of matter, being named after their respective functions in preventing the soul from what it is naturally destined for. Though it is correct to say, in this regard, that matter is not independent in its functioning, it functions truly on the vibratory cells of the soul yet, from practical or empirical viewpoint, even vibratory cells of the soul are material, for it is the effect of the rise of priorly-bound kaimas, which are material. Since relatively the cause and the effect are of identical nature, the whole mundane system caused by the karman is relatively material. Though, in real sense, it is material-spiritual when the trend of the soul is downward or rather hostile from self-truth, and spiritual-material when the trend is upward or self-restoring, yet in both the cases all-purity is hampered and there is definite reference to material inflow

Knowledge-obscuring karmas, nevertheless, paralyse the soul's knowing faculty, likewise intuition-obscuring does its intuition, for, due to the presence of these karmas the soul remains convinced hypnotically so as to be devoid of knowledge and intuition wholly or partially. Under the pressure of feeling-producing karmas the soul feels pleasure on

<sup>20</sup> G S (karma kanda), p 18, Ssr, 136

at A Kh, to 109 to 112

procuring something agreeable or detaching something disagreeable and pain on getting something disagreeable or losing something agreeable. In both the ways as mentioned above, feeling is an artificial characteristic born of its dependence on others. And dependence as such is the symbol of misery, because in its root lies avidva or self-identity with the 'other' That is why it is repeatedly insisted on in the scriptures that worldly pleasure is essentially full of suffering, for it is not the natural experience of soul's own 22 Deluding karma, the fourth one, corrupts the soul's outlook and attitude. Under the pressure of it the soul believes in the theories and dieties inconsistent with the religion and the sayings of the omniscient, and acts accordingly. Thus the above four types of karmas drag the soul down from its original natural abode, and prove themselves detrimental (ghāti) to the natural leanings of the soul rest of the four karmas are, though unlike the former ones, not detrimental (aghāti) to the soul's nature, yet they prepare such types of worldly cage that the soul cannot break it up before its set limit of time They pertain roughly to the age, body, family and one's environmental conditions. All of these future modifications rest potentially in the system of karmas and thus the individual goes on enjoying or suffering the fruits of his acquired deeds

In this system spiritual and material energies blend together and become the occupants of the same space-points  $(eka-ksetr\bar{a}vag\bar{a}h)$ . Thus an organism comes into existence. Its each minutest part of protoplasm is constituted both by spiritual and material energy. Through the system of multiple material atoms one undivided spirit pervades. That is why Kunda Kunda claims that the soul is of the size of its material body which it adopts from time to time through the influx  $(\bar{a}srava)$  and the retention (bandha) of karmas, just as a  $padma-r\bar{a}ga$  jewel when dipped in water pervades the whole water through its own lustre.

The soul, however, adapts itself in the smaller or larger bodies on account of its inherent capacity of doing so. The Jaina has named that capacity as agurulaghutva. Through this particular capacity the soul remains the same throughout its larger or smaller organisms. It is, factually, included in the nature of the soul. Forgetting this aspect of the soul's nature, even a great intellectual like Sankara polemized the Jaina position with apparently no success. For the Jaina does not maintain, like Descartes, that the entities of the soul and the body remain quite distinct throughout having only the contact of each other at the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Panc, 2 239, 250 321, 324

<sup>11</sup> Pky 33

<sup>24</sup> B S B, 2-2-34 to 36

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passage of penial gland for which Descartes had to postulate the third agency in the name of God as mediator between the two. The Jaina does not absolutely corroborate with the Cartesian theory of the soul and the body and their inter-actionism at a particular point. He supports both the theories of inter-actionism and parallelism non-absolutely, accepting a unique position with regard to asrava and bandha of karmas.

In addition to the categories of airaya and bandha Kunda Kunda adds two more categories as the merit (punya) and the demerit (papa) These categories are the modifications of the above two. The cause of these categories is the same as that of the above, i.e. adhvavasāna but the bound karmas differ internally in two ways from at least four standpoints, ie cause (hetu), form (syabhava), experience (rarinama or anubhava), and goal (asraya) 25 Those karmas that are caused by the devotion to Arihantas and compassion to other beings, etc., are auspicious karmas, and those caused by passion, inauspicious thought-paints (lesvās), dis-obedience to superiors, etc., are inauspicious karmas. Likewise relatively to the form (syabhāya), auspicious karmas result in pleasant feelings, pleasant body, family and also pleasant environment. where as mauspicious karmas in unpleasant ones. From the standpoint of experience (anubhava)) one may have pleasure and pain, by which respectively auspicious and inauspicious karmas are determined And finally those karmas that enable the soul to proceed on the path of salvation are auspicious and those that cause deterioration are inauspicious. In this way, from the practical point of view, at each step, karmas bifurcate themselves, in which auspicious karmas (subha karmas) fall in the category of merit (punia) and inauspicious one's (asubha karmas) in the category of demerit (papa) These categories are, therefore, determined by the resulting effects of bandha from practical point of view, the category of merit is preferred, but, seen from the real point of view neither of them is so, for, both are determined by the karmas, and have a tendency of dependence Dependence as such is the symbol of unhappiness, irrespective of its being concerned with superior or inferior deeds. According to Kunda Kunda, shackles of gold as well as of iron both have the binding nature of similar type 26 Therefore, from the real point of view categories of ment and demerit are both of no use, and the reality of the soul is the ultimate source of eternal happiness. Pleasure as derived from merit is very short-lived and is really the originator of stufferings essence of the soul transcends both these categories

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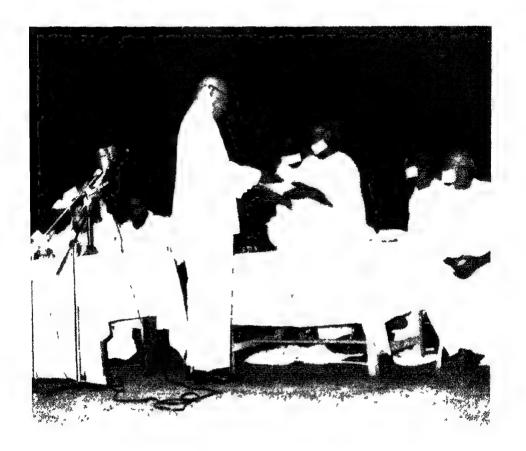
<sup>45</sup> A Kh, to 145

<sup>36</sup> Ssr , 246

### ABBREVIATIONS

A Kh	Atma Khvati of Acarya Amrita Candra, a commentary to the Samaya Sara, Songarh Ed., (1953)
<b>BSB</b>	Brahma Sutra Bhasya of Sankara, Nirnaya Sagar Press, Bombay, (1915)
B Pd	Bodha Pahuda of Kunda Kunda Muni Ananta Kirti series, Ed I
D Anu	Dradasanuprek sa of Svami Kartikeya Ed I, Patni Digambara Jaina series
GB	Gita Bhagavad, Gita Press, Gorakhpur
GS	Gominata Sara of Acarya Nemi Candra, Vol V of the Sacred Books of the Jamas Ed by J L Jami
IPS	An Introduction to the Philosophy of Six Aurobindo, by SK Mitra,
	BHU Press, (1945)
LD	The Life Divine of Sri Aurobindo, 1st University Ed, Pondicherry,
	(1955)
Lett S A	Letters of Srt Aurobindo (Hindi version) Vol I, II, (1953)
M Pd	Moksa Pahuda of Kunda Kunda, Muni Ananta Kirti series, I Ed
Ner	Niyama Sara of Kunda Kunda, J.L. Jaini series
Psr	Pravacana Sara of Kunda Kunda, Songarh Ed (1950)
Pky	Pancastikaya Sara of Kunda Kunda Songarh Ed., (1959)
Panc	Pancadhyavi of Raja Mall Pub Mahavira Br Asrama, Katanji
Ssr	Samaya Sara of Kunda Kunda Songarh Ed., (1953)
S V	Samaya I yakhya of Amrita Candra a commentary to the Pancastikaya, Songrah Ed, (1959)
SBS	A Survey of Buddhism by Sangh Rakshit, Pub The Indian Institute of Culture, Bangalore (1957)
S K	The Samkhya Karika of Kapila ed by Surya Narain Shastri, University of Madras, (1948)
SS	Samadhi Saiuka of Pujyapada Pub The World Jaina Mission (1950)
TS	Tativartha Sutra of Umasvati, Songarh Ed 11
TV	Tatparya Vriti of Jaisenacarya a commentary to the Pravacana Sara
·	Rai Chandra Jama Series, (1935)
DS	Dravya Sangraha of Acarva Nemi Candra, Saral Jain Granth Mala
	Jabbalpur, (1938)

The erudite Jama scholar Muni Nagraj of the Terapanth order receiving the degree of Doctor of Literature (honoris causa) from Dr. P. V. Cherian Governor of Maharashtra conferred on him by the University of Kanpur at a special convocation held at Bombas. This journal recently published his paper. Ajatasatru Kunika



### GOSALAMATAM

—an evaluation of the Gosala episode as contained in the fifteenth chapter of the Bhagavati Sutra—

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Winternitz alleges that most of the Jaina canons are written 'in a dry-as-dust, matter-of-fact, didactic tone' and 'are seldom instinct with that general human interest which so many Buddhist texts possess' The allegation is not wholly justifiable, for the manner of their narration is far from being dry-as-dust, although the matter in many cases may not be instinct with general human interest. Not only the verses but also the prose of the Agamas marks the perfection of the narrative style It is smooth and rhythmical, all angularities and ruggedness having been carefully eliminated to render it fit for oratory are broken into small patches which are well balanced, caesuras are so placed that the total effect is perfectly rhythmical The tone very effectively adapts itself to the changing mood of the narratives, alliterations and assonances, onomatopoeic effects and repetitions are purposively used to render the meaning vivid and picturesque. We have reasons to believe that most of these passages must have, many a time, held the audience spell-bound and it must have been a pleasant task for the monks to remember them and to recite them to the congregations But for these interests, these would have not at least with-stood the severe onslaught of time

'Gosalamatam', the fifteenth chapter of the *Bhagavatī Sūtra* which not only shares all the general characteristics of the canonical prose but has also its individual literary merits as a narrative, is taken up to illustrate the above points

The chapter constitutes an organic whole by itself—It aims neither to relate directly the legend of Gosala nor to give an objective account of his doctrines, it rather attempts an exposition of Gosala's character as it has appeared to the author

According to this, Gosala appears initially to be a disciple of Lord Mahavira Later, he established an independent sect, the Ajivikas, and entered into rivalry with him. But he got defeated and before the end of his life he sincerely repented for his evil deeds. This chapter of the Bhagavatī Sūtra presents this schism in a significant way

The story begins with Gosala's proclaiming himself to be a Jina, Kevali and Omniscient Indrabhuti Gautama came to know of it and he inquired of his master about him, whereupon the Lord narrated his life

Gosala was the son of a Mankkhal, named Makkhali His father wandered with his wife Bhadra begging his food and carrying a painter's board in his hand Bhadra was pregnant and she bore him a male child who was later called Gosala by his father for having been born in a cow-shed of a Brahmin Growing up he also wandered like a Mankkha with a painter's board in his hand and begged his bread

He met Lord Mahavira in the workshop of weaver on the outskirts of the city of Nalanda, where he had stayed to spend the rainy season. He saw that Lord Mahavira had attained such great merits through his penances that the five supramundant incidents<sup>2</sup> occurred wherever he accepted food. He was so overwhelmed with a sense of wonder that he declared himself a disciple of the person who had them. He told the Lord again and again "O Reverend, you are my preceptor in religion and I am your disciple. Then he kept wandering with him for a period of six years.

Once as they were proceeding from Siddharthagiama to Kuimagrama on the way Gosala saw a tila-plant and asked the Tirthankara about the future forms of the seven tila-flowers. He was told that those flowers would appear again as seven tila-grains in one chaff in that very plant. Since Gosala was devoid of any genuine reverence for Loid Mahavira, he uprooted the plant and threw it away to make his predictions untrue. Again passing that way Gosala attracted Lord Mahavira's notice to the spot where once stood the tila-plant and told him that his omniscience had erred. But Gosala himself had been deceived. Things had taken a turn contrary to his expectations. Just after his having uprooted the tila-plant torrential rains followed and the uprooted plant took root and revived. The tila-flowers had actually taken the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The exact connotation of the word Mankkha cannot be stated precisely. But it seems that it indicated a particular class of people, who wandered from place to prace and for their living depended on begging. That they had something to do with the painter's beard is evident from the fact that both Mankkhali, and his son Gosala have been described to be moving with a painter's board. May be they displayed some paintings to the people.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> pancudivyain tam jaha (1) vasudharabuttha, (2) dasaddharanne kusume nivaie, (3) celukkhere kaa, (4) ahara o deradundubhio, (5) antara viyanum agase ,aho danc dane tti ghutthe

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forms of tila-grains But sceptical as he was, he believed it only when he himself verified the number of grains in the chaff

In the mean time Gosala encountered Vaisyayana, the bālatapasvi³, who, vexed with his persistent mockery, sent forth his spiritual power⁴ to kill him which, however, was annulled by the forbearing spiritual power of the Lord and so, Gosala was saved. When he came to know all about it he fervently aspired to obtain the spiritual power which had been obtained by Vaisyayana. Lord Mahavira instructed him how to acquire it and in course of time he did acquire it

Then he proclaimed himself to be a Jina and Levali and defied the leadership of his teacher. But the latter exposed the facts and publicly declared that Gosala was a rebel and not a Jina. This enraged Gosala and he entered into a verbal, later into a spiritual, duel with the Tirthankara in which he met with defeat of all his ambitions. He even used his tejoles  $v\bar{a}$  to kill Lord Mahavira but like a boomerang it came back upon his own self. Even on the brink of death, he kept up the appearance but finally truth forced its way through him and he confessed his crimes and sincerely repented for them

Makkhali Gosala has been mentioned in the Buddhist texts also In the commentary upon Dighanikāva there is an explanation of his name It agrees with the account of the Bhagavati regarding his being born in a cow-shed But here we get a different explanation of Makkhali which is very ingenious, for it throws some ironical hint upon the doctrines propounded by him According to this text, Gosala was once asked by his master to carry a pitcher full of oil through muddy and slippery grounds He was cautioned not to slip, 'tata mā khali, but he did slip. Getting afraid, he fled away but his master chased and caught him by the fringe of his garment, which he left behind and walked off naked and thus became a sky-clad mendicant He derived his name "Makkhalı from the phrase 'mā khalı' Here it is remarkable that Gosala tried his best not to slip but he slipped He had no desire to be a sky-clad mendicant but he became one Both these happenings are ironical reflections upon his doctrines of absolute determinism According to him, there is nothing like free will which a person my exert in a particular way, everything is pre-ordained, and no divergence from the set track is ever possible. No effort could prevent the pitcher full of oil from falling and no will or determination was strong enough to

<sup>\*</sup> Literally, the ignorant ascetic

<sup>4</sup> tejolesya

prevent Gosala's turning from an ordinary domestic servant to be the leader of a sect

According to the Bhagavati Makkhali was the name of his father who was a Mankkha Obviously this explanation, though more realistic, is not instinct with irony as the one mentioned above. That Gosala like his Mankkha father carried a painter's board and had something to do with the imitative art is significant, for in trying to emulate the Lord after having seen the astounding results of his merits and to equal Vaisyayana who was the wielder of the tejolesyā, he showed himself to be too much given to imitating anything that impressed him

The most striking achievement of the author however, is the unity of the chapter. The whole structure of Gosala's doctrines is based on the tila-episode. He propounded the theory of pauttaparihāra according to which all vanaspatikāya enter one after another forms, under the same group, as the tila-flowers become the tila-grains. He stretches this principle so far as to apply it to those who are about to attain emancipation. These also, of necessity, have to make seven pauttaparihāras before they obtain the final liberation. He suggested that there is a preordained track for all jivas. Before liberation each soul has to enter seven devabhavas seven sanvutthankāvas, seven sanvīgigarbhas, and has to make seven pauttaparihāras i.e. it has to enter seven different bodies. Then all karmas being spent up, salvation necessarily follows.

It is easy to discern how the whole structure of his doctrines is rooted in his frustration in the tila-episode. His doctrines are all attempts to undermine Lord Mahavira. He held that the track for all jivas is preordained. Under such circumstances, omniscience is naturally of little value for who would praise a seer who sees that morning follows the night? This attempt to undermine omniscience is a consequence of his humiliation in the tila-episode. For, inspite of his will and determination he could not prevent the tila-flowers from being reborn as grains in the same plant. This led him to propound that efforts and will are all useless void—they do not count at all. This doctrine also like the former one is meant to conceal his defeat

The doctrine of pauttaparihāra of the vanaspatikāya also has been attempted by the propounder to slight Lord Mahavira's omniscience. The tila-flowers as a matter of course, were going to be born as tila-

<sup>\*</sup> Recurrence of number seven in significant. The tila-flowers were seven in number

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grains So there is little credit in knowing it before hand. This doctrine also helped him to conceal his identity at the time of the final duel when he claimed that he was Udai Kaundinya in his seventh pauttaparihāra and not Gosala, the former disciple of Lord Mahavira

It is likely that the Ajivikas in course of explaining their doctrines of  $pautiaparih\bar{a}ra$ , etc., illustrated them by some parallel only which bore similarity with the tila-episode

The chapter delineates with utmost accuracy the character of Gosala He is an upstart. He has no genuine aspiration for an ascetic life. He is simply ambitious. He has seen the wonders wrought by the merits of the penances and so he wants to have for himself a niche in the temple of fame. his object is not emancipation, it is just the attainment of a glory that would dazzle the world.

He has no genuine sense of reverence for Lord Mahavira He follows him, for he has been dazzled with his brilliant achievements. The sceptic in him would fain disbelieve him, as he did in the tila-episode. Thus his final rebellion against his teacher is essentially rooted in his character. His inordinate ambition would not let him rest. It would spur him persistently, to usurp the glory of a *Jina Kevali* and Omniscient.

When he knows of Vaisyayana's tejolesvā, he gets impatient to acquire it—such an acquisition would certainly gratify, to a large extent, his passion for greatness. When he acquires this power, he turns against the teacher himself.

His detailed references to his various pauttaparthāras, his tortuous calculation of time and other complications of his statement during his encounter with Lord Mahavira expose rather the hypocritical, deceptive and complex personality of Gosala

Gosala's exposition of his doctrines is not precise and clear. Its external verbosity exposes its inner hollowness and meaninglessness. In a network of complicated details he only tries to conceal his perfidy and hypocrisy. He is completely shattered when his tejolesyā, emitted to kill Lord Mahavira, rebounds upon him. His composure vanishes and he enters almost a state of madness. His disperate attempts to conceal his wounds are apparent in his meaningless physical actions he sucks green mangoes, drinks dances and sprinkles cold water upon his person. Made of very tough stuff as he is, he does not succumb so

very soon he still declares himself to be a *Tirthankara* and puts forward the dogmas of eight climaxes<sup>6</sup> to justify his mad and meaningless actions

It is interesting to note how his personality gradually under-goes disintegration. Vain and perfidious, and ambitious of worldly glory, he rises to power by the practice of falsehood, and for the time being seems quite composed. His narration of a significant allegory? to Ananda shows his self-composure at its best. He is like the serpent who emerges from the fourth peak of the ant-hill. The scrpent is magestic and confident and so is his perfidy till he has not seen the truth that glared through the eyes of Lord Mahavira. Confronted with it his deception pales, and shatters to pieces.

Thus the legend of Gosala in the *Bhagavati Sūtra* gives us in a rhythmical and effective prose a consistent plot and a character developed with perfect consistency. The author does not directly aim at any objective analysis of or rational attack upon the Ajivika system. He simply reveals the man and coirclates his system with his own personality.

<sup>\*</sup> attha carimain pannavci tam jaha (1) carime pane, (2) carime gaye, (3) carime natte (4) carime anjalikamme (5) carime pokkhalasamvattae mahamehe, (6) carime seyanae gandhahatthi, (7) carime mahasila kantae sangame (8) carime tuthankara

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> egam maham uvamiyam

<sup>\*</sup> uggavisam candavisam ghoravisam mahavisam aikayamahakayam masimusakalagam nayanavisarosapunnam anjanpunjanigarappagasam rattaccham jamalajuyal cancalacalaniajiham, dharanitalavenibhuyam ditthivisam sappam sarasarasarassa vamniyassa siharatalam duruhai

# Correspondence

I have gone through the series of Kastur Chand Lalwani's articles 'A Jaina view of Cosmos published recently in the various issues of the Jain Journal with a keen interest The learned author has, no doubt made an exhaustive exposition of the Jama account of the universe. but I was disappointed not to see anything even in the last paragraph of the article that could have justified the authenticity of the Jaina map of the universe vis-a-vis the latest researches in the field of cosmology A vast exploration has already been made in the structure of the earth duly demonstrated by the authentic photographs obtained by spacecrafts or so, leaving no grain of doubt that the whole hypothesis propounded by old ones with regard to the mode of structure of the cosmos When such is the position, should it not be worth-while on our part to recast our whole account and declare boldly and honestly that the old thesis of Trilokasara is out of date now? Or as it was expected from the learned author in his concluding portion of the article the whole account should have been given to a better interpretation from the viewpoint of the philosophy of Organicism I think now it is high time for us to recast the old tenets of Jaina thought in the light of new theories of science and technology in order to make them more useful and pragmatic for our modern attitude of life

P K Jain (Dr)

I think. Dr P K Jain has made an interesting point when he says that "it is high time for us to recast the old tenets of the Jaina thought in the light of new theories of science and technology, etc." Perhaps it is But my apprehension is that even with all its spectacular achievements, modern science has touched so little of the knowledge of the universe, while the theological viewpoint, despite its being unscientific or extra-scientific, is still so all pervasive that it may be somewhat premature to recast the old tenets of any religion in the light of modern information To be specific, how much of the whole universe is really revealed to modern cosmology? True, our knowledge of the earth now is more complete, but how insignificant is the position of the earth in the entire scheme of cosmos? And until our sciences know more of the cosmos I wonder on what line may the reconstruction begin At least that was not the purpose that I had set to my self when I wrote the article which has been printed in three instalments. It was simply to present the traditional views, oriental and occidental, with, of course, dominance given to the Jaina along with the outcome of modern researches in a spirit of comparing notes, which I guess, has been done in the article For the test, my feeling is that a reconstruction of the traditional view in the light of developments of modern sciences is not only premature. their focus is so very different and so is their equipment and purpose. that any such reconstruction may be a perpetual absurdity the two always holding distinct spheres of interest and belief This however, is no suggestion to keep our eyes and ears shut towards modern knowledge. still less to propagate a blind faith in whatever is traditional

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This is the third volume of an encyclopaedic work on the Jaina canonical literature of which the earlier volumes had already been reviewed in somewhat disproportionate detail in these columns. As the sub-title to the volume indicates, its preoccupation is with the diverse Agamic interpretations notably nirruktis, bhāsījus, cūrnīs and tikās. While the text provides details on each, the readability of the book is immensely enhanced by an exclusive and learned introduction by the author on the entire field of auxiliary sacred literature of the Jainas Excluded from this is an equally vast literature in languages other than Prakrit and Sanskrit and perhaps that will be presented between separate covers in future

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The older a religion and its cannonical texts, the more the need to use auxiliary literature to understand them. The volume and variety of the latter, let alone other evidences, would support the claim of Jainism as being the oldest religion of the land. Its earliest commentaries are written in the same language, Prakrit, which is the expression of the Agamic texts. But later, when the Brahmanical scholarship came to exist in this land and some of their leading luminaries were even attracted within the fold of Jainism, an auxiliary literature in Sanskrit made its appearance. The use of Sanskrit is therefore posterior to Prakrit and may be, if the reviewer is not really venturing to propound a new theory, Sanskrit (coming as it does from the word 'sanskāra') is itself a refinement and hence a progeny (?) of Prakrit. But that is just a deviation

The auxiliary literature considered in this volume, as indicated above, runs into four lines. Of these the nirvuktis occupy the first place and their preoccupation is with technical terms in the Agamic texts whose technicality must have enhanced with time pretation is given in Prakrit verse and the methodology used is one of providing all possible meanings and then indicating the most appro-In view of the non-availability of nirvukti by any other savant. Bhadrabahu (II) holds a virtual monopoly as a mryuktikāra having written on the ten Agamas (of which eight are extant), and is therefore the most helpful bridge with the past But with the further passage of time even these nirvuktis must have acquired a certain technicality in themselves needing additional keys to their inner significance and portions of the Agamic texts which were too apparent to the niriuk tikāras to be taken care of must in themselves have become obscure So a new line of auxiliary literature was developed entitled bhāsvas, again in Prakrit verse, which threw light partly on the nirvuktis and partly on the untackled portions of the Agamas The monopoly now gives way to a duopoly, two writers Jinabhadra Gani and Sanghadasa Gani now flourishing, each having a couple of bhas vas to his credit. To the former we owe the Visesavasyaka-bhāsya and the Jitakalpa-bhāsya and to the latter the Vrhadkalpa-laghubhās va and the Pañcakalpa-mahābhās va There might have been other bhasvakāras but unfortunately they are lost to us

More complete interpretation of the Agamic texts are, however, contained in the last two categories of auxiliary literature, viz,  $c\bar{u}rn\bar{i}s$  and  $t\bar{i}k\bar{a}s$ , the former being written in Prakrit or dominantly in Prakrit with Sanskrit admixture and the latter making exclusive use of Sanskrit As with the passage of time, the obscurity of the original texts had increased, more comprehensive interpretative literature had become a necessity, first in Prakrit and later in Sanskrit, as key to the former

The cūrnis and tikās are, however, not restricted to the Agamic texts. they have also covered the post-Agamic literature Besides, they contain many independent lines providing us useful window to such diverse subjects as ācāra, darsana, karma, jāāna, pramāna, yoga, even civics, politics, geography, sociology, psychology, and sex In fact, the curnis and tikas contain such independent treasure of knowledge that it will be going them less than justice to view them as mere note-books some of the Jama tikakaras were great encyclopaedists in whose works the past knowledge attained a synthesis and then these opened new grounds Among the cūrnī writers the most celebrated name is that of Jinadasa Gani Mahattara who is the author of at least eight of them Some of the cūrnis follow the nirvuktis while others follow the Agamic texts Only a few follow both Among the Sanskrit tikākāras, the earliest name is that of Acarva Jinabhadra Gani who was simultaneously a writer of curni and bhasia, and hence who could be placed in any one of the three categories. Among those who may be mentioned exclusively as tikākāras the more celebrated names are Haribhadra Suri Silankacarya, Vadi-vetala Santi Suri, Abhayadeva Suri, Malayagiri and Maladhari Hemacandra. A more complete list of available names would simply be formidable. Needless to mention many names are lost. It is no easy job to introduce such an enormous literature as a part of literary history. The author deserves congratulation for having accomplished it with such exceptional ability 1

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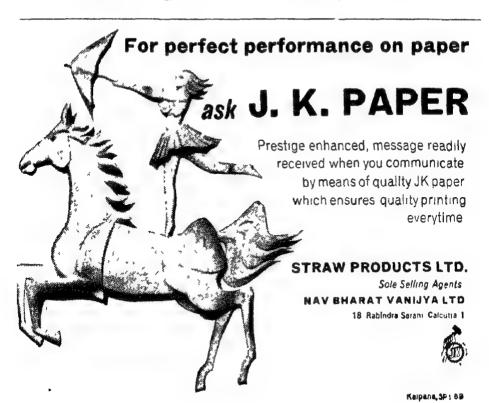
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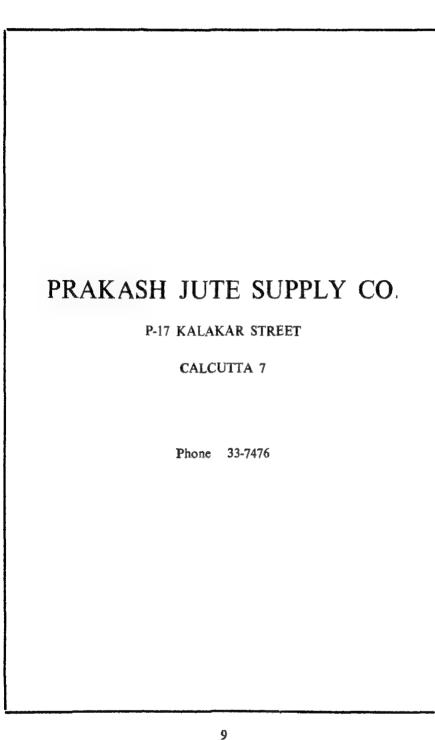
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